

ARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

In accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts General laws, Chapter 30A, Section 20, notice is hereby given for the following meeting of the:

***Arlington School Committee
School Committee Organizational Meeting
Thursday, April 11, 2019
6:15 PM***

*Arlington High School
School Committee Room
869 Mass Avenue, 6th Floor
Arlington, MA 02476*

Call to Order; Mr. Paul Schlichtman, Chairperson Pro Tempore

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Nomination for Office of Vice Chair

Nomination and Election for Office of Secretary

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Vote on Authorization of Chair to Sign Payroll Warrant

Per Policy BDA: Standards and Norms of the Arlington School Committee, BDA-E

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ATTACHMENTS:

Type	File Name	Description
□ Document for Approval	2019-2020_Subcommittee_Assignments.pdf	2019-20 Subcommittee Assignments
□ Policy	BDA_Organizational_meeting_doc.pdf	BDA SCHOOL COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
□ Policy	BDA- E_School_Committee_Norms_and_Standards.html.pdf	BDA-E School Committee Norms and Standards

ARLINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
SUBCOMMITTEES

2019-2020

Len Kardon, Chair
Jane Morgan, Vice Chair
Paul Schlichtman, Secretary
Kirsi Allison-Ampe
Bill Hayner
Jennifer Susse
Jeff Thielman

Budget

Kirsi Allison-Ampe (chair), Len Kardon, Jennifer Susse

Policies & Procedures

Paul Schlichtman (chair), Jane Morgan, Kirsi Allison-Ampe

Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment & Accountability

Jane Morgan (chair), Paul Schlichtman, Jeff Thielman

Community Relations

Jennifer Susse (chair), Jeff Thielman, Jane Morgan

Facilities

Bill Hayner (chair), Kirsi Allison-Ampe

Legal Services

Bill Hayner (chair), Jeff Thielman

Warrant Committee

Bill Hayner

COMMITTEE LIAISONS

Schedule meetings. The expectation is 5-8 meetings per subcommittee during the course of the year (most meetings occur Oct. - June).

Take and report minutes promptly for all subcommittee meetings. Minutes should be forwarded to the Administrative Secretary for the committee for distribution to the full committee.

Report at each School Committee meeting on the subcommittee's work and be sure the full School Committee is aware of the next scheduled meeting.

Work with Administrative Assistant for the committee to post all meetings.

Arrange meetings so that the Superintendent or his/her representative can attend.

Permanent Town Building Committee

Bill Hayner

AHS Building Committee

Kirsi Allison-Ampe
Jeff Thielman (chair)

Selectmen and Legislative Liaison

Len Kardon

Budget Revenue Task Force

Kirsi Allison-Ampe
Len Kardon
Jennifer Susse

Long Range Planning

Kirsi Allison-Ampe
Len Kardon
Jennifer Susse

Envision Arlington

Paul Schlichtman

Negotiations Committee (AEA)

Open until needed

Negotiations Committee (AAA)

Open until needed

Negotiations Committee (AEA Paraprofessionals)

Paul Schlichtman

Jennifer Susse

Negotiations Committee (Cafeteria)

Open until needed

Negotiations Committee (Unit C)

Bill Hayner

Jennifer Susse

Negotiations Traffic Supervisors

Jane Morgan

Bill Hayner

Negotiations Committee (Bus)

Open until needed

Arlington Youth Health & Safety Coalition

Kirsi Allison-Ampe

Wellness Committee

Jennifer Susse

Supt. Diversity Advisory Committee

Jane Morgan

AEF Board

Len Kardon

SEPAC Liaison

Len Kardon

EDCO Board

Bill Hayner

SCHOOL LIAISONS

Bishop

Bill Hayner

Brackett

Kirsi Allison-Ampe

Dallin

Jane Morgan

Hardy

Paul Schlichtman

Peirce

Jeff Thielman

Stratton

Jennifer Susse

Thompson

Len Kardon

Gibbs

Bill Hayner

OMS

Jennifer Susse

AHS

Jeff Thielman, Jane Morgan

File: BDA-E - SCHOOL COMMITTEE NORMS AND STANDARDS

We, the Arlington School Committee, acknowledge that a School Committee meeting is a meeting of School Committee members that is held in public and not a public meeting and that we will make every effort to ensure that meetings are effective and efficient. To that end, we acknowledge the importance of subcommittees and we and the Superintendent agree to utilize them to focus on specific topics in-depth and to prepare for presentation, deliberation, and possible action by the School Committee.

We, the Arlington School Committee, set forth these Standards and Norms that we will all commit to abide by as individuals and as a Committee:

1. Represent the needs and interests of all students in the district.
2. Exercise leadership in vision, planning, policy making, evaluation, and advocacy on behalf of the students and district, not in managing the day-to-day operations of the district.
3. Conduct our business through a set agenda. Emerging items will be addressed in subsequent meetings through agenda items.
4. Provide full disclosure. Each member will provide input, encouragement, express concerns and positions rather than withhold information from other members. When a Committee member feels that there has not been full disclosure, an objective process for revisiting the issue will be used.
5. Maintain an open environment where each member is empowered to freely express opinions, concerns, and ideas. Committee members will work together to clarify and restate discussions in order to strive for full understanding.
6. Keep an open mind and accept that they can change their opinions by recognizing that they are not locked into their initial stated positions.
7. Make decisions on information and not on personalities. Committee members will act with the best information available at the time considering data, the superintendent's recommendations, proposals, and suggestions. Committee members will strive to make the best decision at the time.
8. Debate the issues, not one another. The Committee will engage in critical thinking, expecting all Committee members to freely offer differing points of view as part of the discussion, prior to making a board decision.
9. Not take unilateral action. A Committee member's authority is derived only through a majority decision of the Committee acting as a whole during an open, public meeting.
10. Attend meetings well prepared to discuss issues on the agenda and will be prepared to make decisions, striving for efficient decision making.
11. Strive to have no surprises for the committee or superintendent. All members will receive the same information on all topics in a timely manner.
12. Strive to reach decisions by consensus. Discuss with respect, disagree without acrimony. When consensus is not possible, all members will publicly abide by the majority decision.
13. Understand and respect the chain of command as it concerns roles and responsibilities and direct others to do the same.

14. Review and revise our standards and norms, as needed, as part of the committee's self-evaluation.